

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

APRIL 2, 2019

5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019 meeting as presented. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Street – Commissioner Miller reported that they have removed the trees along the levee.

They have the new stop signs up at 2nd and Morgan. They have also put up new street signs at 3rd and Perkins.

They are taking sidewalk applications.

Police – Chief Tucker said they are currently installing an internet based phone system.

Soon they will be able to start texting 911. He will keep everyone informed of the progress. We will need to be educated on the process.

Animal – Warden Cottrell passed out her report for March. She said the intake was up with 39 dogs, 51 cats, and 1 raccoon. She said they are taking in lots of cats that are not adoptable. They are currently trapping in 8 locations in the City.

Park – Director Burklow informed the Board that the Hoosier Youth Challenge will be here Thursday to help clean up the pool.

They have fertilized the parks, and have been turning the water on at the outside facilities.

He will be attending a pool and spa certification school.

Fire – Chief Jenkins reported that one of the ambulances is in service. The second one will be taken to get the power load system installed.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **HWC Design Contract-Stellar Overlook** - Mayor Pavey said they have not yet had a conversation.
2. **Contract for Services** – None.
3. **INDOT RFP Interviews May 14** – The Board agreed to conduct interviews May 14th.
4. **Liquidate Property 214 E 2nd (Cupp property)** - We are waiting for the survey and appraisals to be completed.
5. **Stellar – Taff Building RFP** - Newhouse is preparing the RFP.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Monthly Project Pay Applications** – None.
2. **CCMG Local Road and Bridges Matching Grant Agreements** – Mayor Pavey said most of what we requested was funded. 8th Street will be reconstructed. Williams made a motion to give the Mayor the authority to sign the agreements. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Hire New Firefighter** – Chief Jenkins said they interviewed 5 people. He recommended hiring B. J. Sieverding contingent upon him passing Perf and the practicals. He will have 90 days to complete the practicals. Williams moved to approve the Chief's recommendation. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Sanitation – Part-Time** – Commissioner Miller asked permission to hire Dakota Rains at \$10.00 per hour. He would not work more than 29 hours per week. McGowan moved to hire Rains starting April 8, 2019. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **Main Street Streetscape Closeout (ADA)** - Mayor Pavey reported that per ADA the slope should not be more than 2%. At the Farmer's Market the slope is higher on the north corner. He said we could make a step or make a 48 inch wide swap, but there is a hydrant in the way. After discussion Williams moved to ask Indot for a variance. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: Newhouse said they have reached an agreement with the Lakers on the swap of real estate with the animal shelter. He said they are comparable in size

and value. Cameron made a motion to approve the trade of property with Laker. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.